

1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th corps is lost. If necessary I set the naval arsenals at work on artillery material; that would be better than requisitions. One or two ships more or less of no weight one way or the other, but the slightest deficiency of artillery might be a very serious matter.

5th. (To Pope Pius VII.) Holy Father: I hasten to send one of the officers of my household to express all my gratification at what the bishop of Nantes has told me of the satisfactory condition of Your Holiness's health; for I had been for a moment alarmed this summer on hearing that Your Holiness had been seriously indisposed. The new residence of Your Holiness will give us an opportunity for meeting, and I have it much at heart to declare that, notwithstanding all that has passed, I have always maintained the same sentiments of friendship for Your Holiness. Perhaps we can now reach a settlement of all the questions that divide State and Church. I, on my side, am altogether disposed that way, so that it will depend entirely on Your Holiness.

6th, (To Berthier.) I have removed your dispatch of the 11th, also your memorandum, at which I was; I shall consider it most anxiously. This year's conscription is splendid. I had about ££,000 or ££Q*(XX) when on parole Sunday,